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SWIMS AWAY; LETS GIRL DIE

Defense Introduces Witnesses to Prove Prisoner's Good Character, and That Grace Brown Was Despondent—Closes Its Case Abruptly. Jury May Decide Fate Tuesday.

Herkimer, N. Y., Nov. 30.—After calling but ten witnesses to support the story which Chester Gillette had just finished telling on the stand, his defense to-day rested as unexpectedly that it fairly took away the breath of the crowd that packed the courtroom.

Of these ten witnesses, five were called simply to prove Gillette's good character in Cortland before this affair, and the other five to show that Grace Brown was despondent and often seen crying before she left Cortland for her home in South Osele.

Out of his own mouth Gillette was made to acknowledge that he had lied both before and after the tragedy, and other parts of his testimony were to a great extent impeached by the witnesses which the prosecution called in rebuttal.

If the continuation of the rebuttal should end to-day, the summing up will come Monday, and the case should go to the jury some time Tuesday.

Says He Guess He Lied.

It was a bad day for the defendant on the witness stand. District Attorney Ward made him admit that he had lied on several occasions. Gillette was asked if he had not told Deputy Sheriff Klock that he upset the boat while walking from one end to the other. He paused in his answer, and finally said that he had told Klock that.

"You know you lied when you said it, don't you?" first Ward.

"I guess I did," came the unwilling answer.

The prosecutor asked Gillette if he had not lied when he told the Westcott and the Patrick girls on the train that he was going to Raquette Lake. Gillette admitted that he had. This was practically an admission that he was going to Big Moose, and he did not want any one to know he was going there.

Leaves Girl to Drown.

In answer to further questions Gillette admitted that he practically made no efforts to save the girl, and that he swam ashore and left her to drown.

As the prisoner admitted it without the least sign of emotion, Mr. Ward turned to Mr. Earl, his assistant, and said, "My God, what effrontery!"

When Gillette concluded his testimony, William Steinberg, of the Cortland skirt factory, said that when Grace Brown left Cortland in June she said to him that she was going away and would never see him again.

Miss Hoag and Miss Maggie McMahon, two girl employees of the factory where Grace Brown worked, testified that "Billy" said in their presence one day she wished she "were dead and never see the sun rise again."

"You didn't know of her condition, did you?" asked the prosecutor. They replied that they did not.

Say His Character Is Good.

Frank J. Tyler, a manufacturer of Cortland, said he was a close friend of Gillette. He declared that the defendant's reputation was good. He said that Gillette moved in the best Cortland circles.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Washington, Friday, Nov. 30, 1906.—8 p. m.

Pressure is generally high, except in the North and the extreme southwest, but the weather has been cloudy with light rain from Texas eastward through the Ohio Valley and the lake region into New York and Southern New England. There were also local snows in Colorado, and rains in Western Washington and Northwestern Oregon. In the South and the extreme Northwest, the weather was fair, and the latter district is covered by a pronounced high pressure area, accompanied by much lower temperatures. Fall extending southward into Colorado and Kansas and eastward through Western Wisconsin. In the eastern portion of the United States, the weather was fair, and the temperature ranged from 4 to 19 degrees below zero. In the Ohio Valley, the East and South, it is much warmer. The Northwest, with high area and cold weather will move eastward, causing a cold wave by Saturday night or Sunday morning in Wisconsin, Upper Michigan, Northern Lower Michigan, Northeastern Iowa, and extreme Northern Illinois. It will also be colder Saturday in the Lower Missouri and Upper Mississippi valleys, and much colder Saturday night or Sunday in the Ohio Valley, the Lower Lake and Southern Upper Lake region. It will also be colder Sunday and Monday in the Middle Atlantic States and New England.

There will be rain Saturday in the central valleys, the Lower Lake region, the Middle Atlantic States, and New England, followed by generally fair weather Sunday, except along the Lower Lakes, where local snows are probable. In the South and extreme West, the weather will be generally fair Saturday and Sunday.

The winds along the New England and Middle Atlantic coasts will be fresh southwest to west; on the South Atlantic coast, variable, with fresh easterly on the Gulf coast, light to fresh easterly; on the Lower Lakes, fresh to brisk north to northwest; and on the Upper Lakes, brisk northwesterly.

Local Temperatures.

Midnight, 35; 2 a. m., 34; 4 a. m., 32; 6 a. m., 33; 8 a. m., 33; 10 a. m., 32; 12 noon, 32; 2 p. m., 33; 4 p. m., 33; 6 p. m., 32; 8 p. m., 31; 10 p. m., 30; Maximum, 34; minimum, 30.

Temperatures in Other Cities.

Temperatures in other cities, together with the amount of rainfall for the twelve hours ended at 8 p. m. yesterday, are as follows:

	Max.	Min.	8 p. m.	Rainfall
Ashville, N. C.	58	28	46	0.00
Atlanta, Ga.	69	43	52	0.00
Atlantic City, N. J.	42	36	40	0.00
Bismarck, N. Dak.	14	14	14	0.00
Boston, Mass.	42	22	40	0.00
Buffalo, N. Y.	41	32	42	0.00
Chicago, Ill.	36	24	32	0.00
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Gastonia, N. C.	70	38	50	0.00
Helena, Mont.	38	24	32	0.00
Indianapolis, Ind.	39	36	46	0.00
Jacksonville, Fla.	65	44	54	0.00
Kansas City, Mo.	42	42	44	0.00
Little Rock, Ark.	59	42	52	0.00
Marquette, Mich.	42	30	39	0.00
Memphis, Tenn.	61	49	58	0.00
New Orleans, La.	66	52	62	0.00
New York, N. Y.	46	36	42	0.00
North Platte, Neb.	38	24	32	0.00
Omaha, Neb.	49	36	36	0.00
Pittsburgh, Pa.	48	32	44	0.00
Salt Lake City, Utah	24	40	44	0.41
St. Louis, Mo.	40	30	36	0.00
St. Paul, Minn.	32	22	30	0.00
Springfield, Ill.	41	35	44	0.12
Victoria, B. C.	52	46	54	0.00

Tide Table.

High tide to-day—8:20 a. m. and 8:23 p. m.
Low tide to-day—2:20 a. m. and 2:40 p. m.
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The body of the colored porter, who was horribly burned, was identified yesterday as that of William Boswell, of this city. He was making his first trip over this section of the line. Boswell at one time worked for the Baltimore and Ohio, and formerly lived at Toledo, Ohio.

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E. A. Merrill, private secretary to President Spencer, who had a narrow escape, though being only slightly injured, is still in the hospital at Lynchburg. It is expected that he will sleep over in Washington to consult with the officials here before proceeding to his home in New York.

Mr. Bodley stated last night that he had come to Washington to meet the committee and Bishop Satterlee to get wishes for the proposed cathedral. He will remain here about a month and will make a special study of the location of the proposed cathedral. Yesterday Mr. Bodley was driven out to St. Albans and shown the site for the proposed structure, and last night spoke of it as a "grand" place to put such a building. He said he had not yet fully been informed as to the size of the cathedral, except that it was to be about 500 feet long and to be designed in the Gothic style and not in the style of the old world.

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